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Letter from the President

The Interactive Media world is a crowded arena. Titles are being released for all platforms at a pace never before seen in our industry. However, what emerges is one common theme; "*innovation followed by endless redundancy*". Although fighting and traditional sports games represent the largest percentage of sales, the market has been saturated by "*me too*" products. The reality is only a small percent of these titles actually achieve substantial sales. Even with the advent of new technology, very little new game playability change is being introduced.

American Softworks has set a course in its development with a mission to create new venues, and to take advantage of areas of interest we feel have enormous potential. By studying the established genres, we have been able to design and implement new "**Hybrids**" of interactive entertainment. ASC is dedicated to creating interactive experiences allowing new and broader gameplay.

While ASC understands that creating a "**Great Game**" is the most critical element in product success, we also feel product achievement will be attained without duplication of the present market. We will enter territories that shall create notice. ASC will dedicate itself to the industry by moving in this bolder, broader direction. If ASC felt for a moment it was unable to create this vision we would not pursue it. Imagination, pursuit and performance are the first rules of **Interactive Success**. Through competitive excellence, ASC will become leaders in this cutting edge move from the merely mundane to the truly creative.

David J. Klein
President
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Bass Tournament

Congratulations!

You have been chosen to enter the TNN Outdoors Bass Tournament '96™. You will be competing on three tournament levels, each having substantial prize money attached.

This game money, used wisely, will help the winners purchase better equipment from the Pro Shop and will give an edge in the race for the overall championship.

Choosing the proper gear from the Pro Shop is the key to successful fishing. Get to know what lures work best in the various lakes and weather conditions

The practice sessions in the Free Fishing mode help you get to know the lakes you will fish and to find the best spots for the coming competition. Be careful not to use all your lures.

Good Luck!

Background

At the heart of the game design is an advanced lake simulator. This allows changes in the lake's environment to be accurately reflected throughout the lake. It also creates lake features building them into the overall model. This model is updated from second to second, giving a realistic, ever changing environment for the fish to inhabit.

Both your character's performance and tackle are taken into account to give a realistic fishing experience. Remember that the better the quality of the tackle, the better it will work.

The Game

The TNN Outdoors Bass Tournament '96 consists of three challenging and exciting tournaments.

You start the game with a boat and basic tackle. You also have $250.00 which you can use to buy other tackle and equipment from the Pro Shop.

You can earn more money to further upgrade your equipment either by winning or placing in the Tournaments.

The Tournaments are, in order:

THE JUNIOR TOURNAMENT

1st Prize: $3000.00
2nd Prize: $2000.00
3rd Prize: $1000.00

The top five qualify to go to the next round.

THE SENIOR TOURNAMENT

1st Prize: $3000.00
2nd Prize: $2000.00
3rd Prize: $1000.00

The top three qualify to go to the next round.

THE TNN OUTDOORS BASS TOURNAMENT '96™

To play in this Tournament, you need to have qualified in all of the previous Tournaments. A password is required to enter this competition. Watch TNN Outdoors or call (612) 467-1448 starting at 12:00 Noon on April 27, 1996 to learn the secret password for the TNN Tournament.

To obtain the secret password after May 19, 1996, Call (203) 327-3366 Ext. 201 or write to ASC, 24 Richmond Hill Avenue, Stamford CT 06901. Attn: TNN '96 Secret Password.

Setting Up

Set up your Sega Genesis System as described in the instruction manual. Plug in one Sega Control Pad in CONTROL 1.

Make sure the power is OFF, then insert the "TNN Outdoors Bass Tournament '96" cartridge into the console and press it down firmly.

Turn the power switch ON. The Sega screen will appear shortly. If the screen remains blank, turn the power switch OFF. Make sure your system is set up correctly and that the cartridge is properly inserted into the console, and the channel switch setting (3 or 4) on the back of the Genesis is the same as the channel being used. Then turn the power switch ON again.

IMPORTANT:
Always be sure that the Sega Genesis System is turned OFF before inserting or removing your Genesis cartridge.

Getting Started

From the title sequence press the START button on your Genesis control pad. This will take you to the main menu screen.

Press UP or DOWN to select the desired option. Press the A, B or C button to select the option highlighted by the arrow.

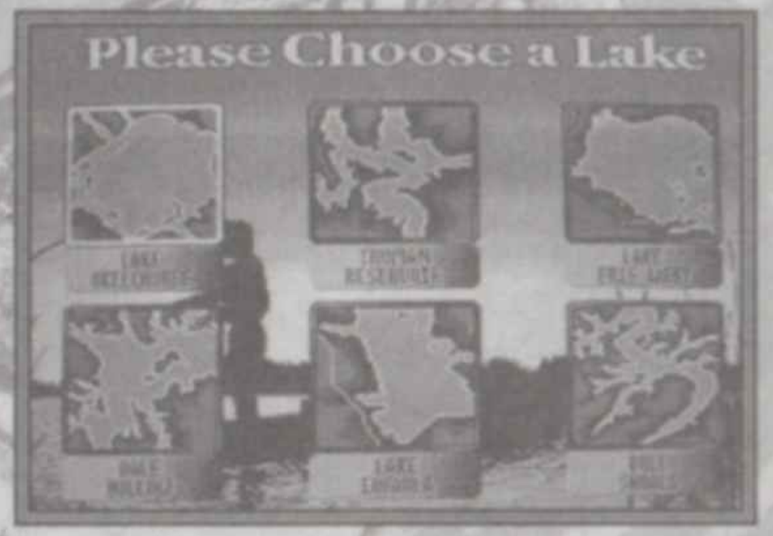
Music Preview

This option allows you to preview the music you will hear during the game and to turn the Sound FX or Music ON or OFF.

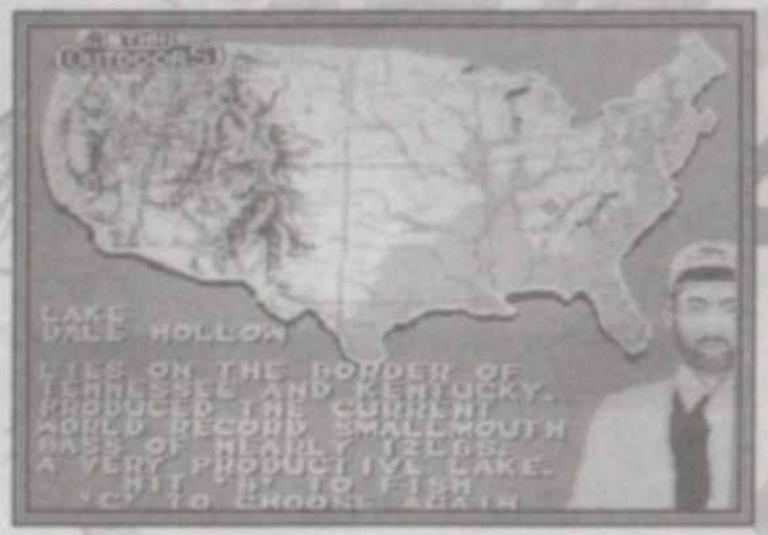
Press UP or DOWN and the music will change to the selected piece. Press A to turn the music ON or OFF. The C button changes the Sound FX. Press B to return to the main menu.

Free Fishing

Free Fishing lets you fish on the lake of your choice, under the conditions of your choice.



Move LEFT or RIGHT to highlight the desired lake. Press the A, B or C button to select.



After reading the description, you have a choice of fishing this lake by pressing B. To choose another lake, press C.

Free Fishing

This screen allows you to select the weather conditions on the lake. After you have set the conditions, the weather will vary throughout the day, as in real life.

Move LEFT and RIGHT to change the highlighted option. Move UP and DOWN to highlight your next set of options. When you have made your choice, press A, B or C to take you to the Free Fishing menu.

Free Fishing Menu

This menu allows you to visit the Pro Shop, check your tackle, launch your boat on the lake or quit from the Free Fishing mode.

Press UP and DOWN to move to the desired option and press A, B or C to select.

Pro Shop

You can load up your Tackle Box with an unlimited supply of equipment from the Pro Shop while in the Free Fishing Mode only.

Move LEFT and RIGHT to highlight the type of equipment you may wish to purchase. Move UP and DOWN to run through the available items. Press B to buy an item. Your account will automatically be charged unless you're in the Free Fishing mode. Press C to return to the previous menu.

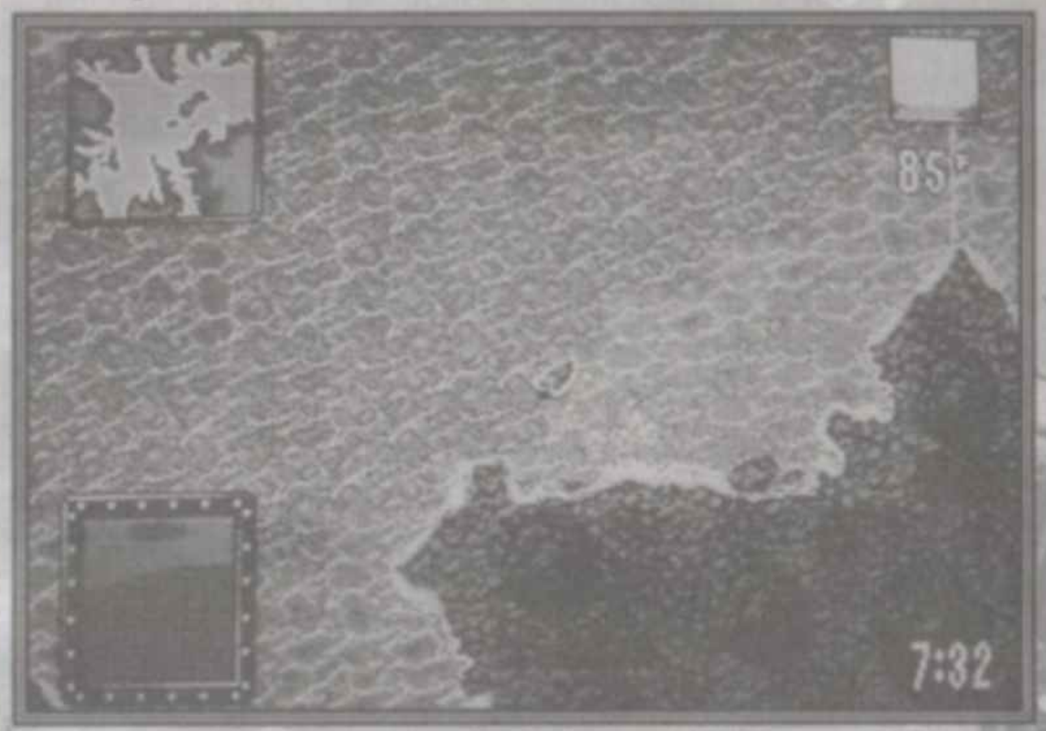
Tackle Box

This option allows you to look in your Tackle Box and select the tackle you wish to use. If an item is not selected, the tiles at the bottom of the screen will be blank.

Move LEFT and RIGHT to highlight the desired equipment type. Move UP and DOWN to scroll and select the equipment you want to use. Press A, B or C to exit the Tackle Box Screen. The numbers under a piece of tackle show how many of these items you have.

Boating Screen

This is where the game starts after you select the Launch Boat option from the menu.



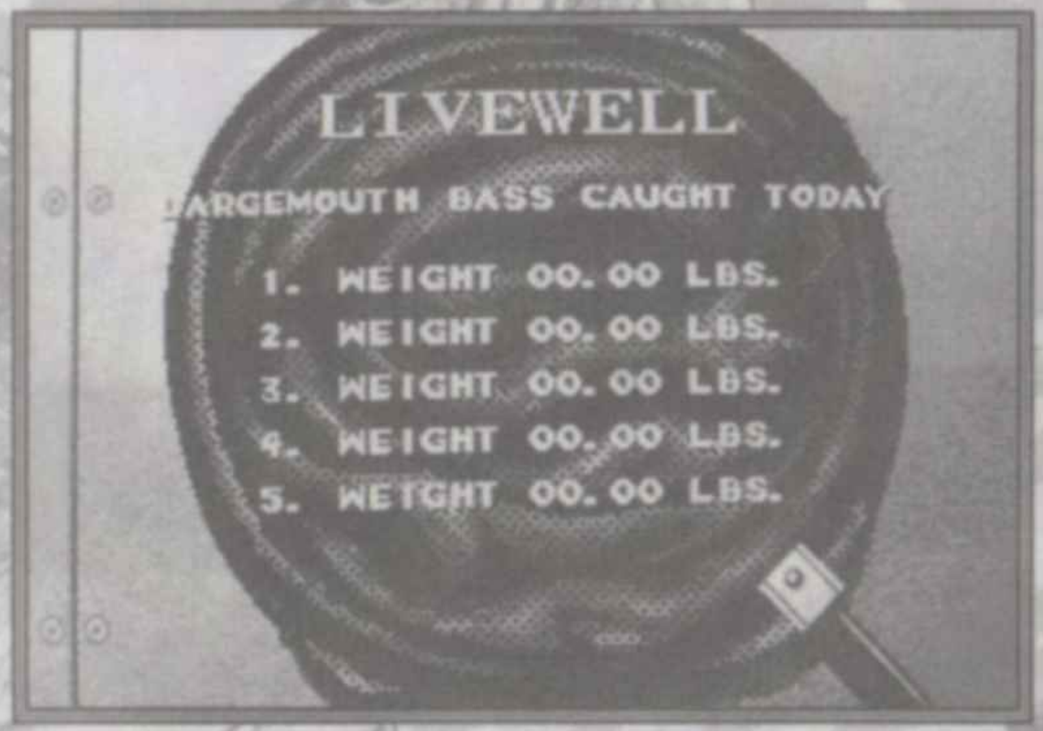
To motor your boat forward, press UP. Press DOWN to motor backward. Press LEFT and RIGHT to turn the boat left and right. Press A to bring up the current Live Well. Press B to bring up the Pro Tip screen and press C to enter the Casting screen.

Return to the Options menu by returning the boat to the dock where you started. This is useful if you run out of tackle and need to revisit the Bass Pro Shop.

On the bottom left of your screen, you will see a Fish Finder. This will show any fish which are in close range from the front of your boat. It will also show the lake bottom contours.

Live Well

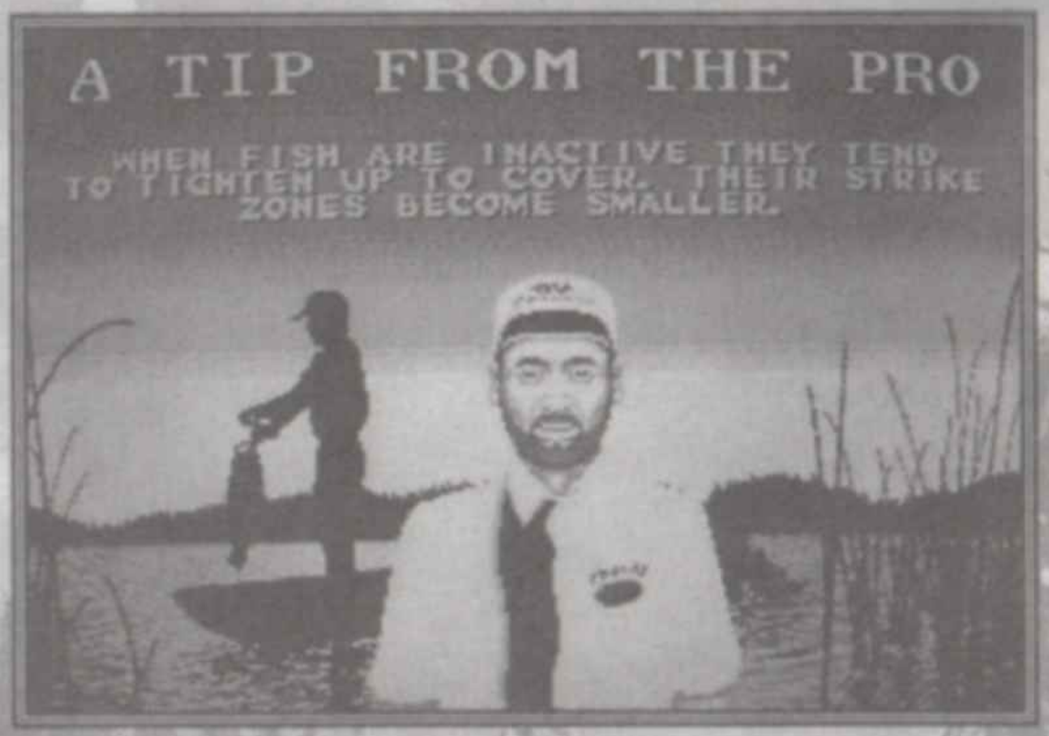
This screen shows your current catch of bass along with the weight of each fish. Press A to enter the Live Well.



Pro Tips

From Fish Fishburne

While in the Boating screen, use this option anytime or anywhere to learn helpful fishing tips from the Pros. Press B.



Casting Screen

Having selected your spot, it is now time to fish the area.

In the bottom right corner of the screen is the power indicator. To cast, press and hold down the A button until the required power level is reached. Release the A button to cast your lure. To get a little more distance to your cast, press UP while casting. Press LEFT or RIGHT to cast in those directions. If you are unable to cast, check your Tackle Box by pressing B to see if you have everything attached or if you have chosen all your fishing gear. Press C to return to the Boating screen.

Use your forward sonar to determine the distance of the fish and remember to keep an eye on the wind direction. If you cast too far you will lose your lure. If this happens, replace it with another one from your Tackle Box. If you need more lures, return to the Pro Shop.

Once the lure hits the water, you will automatically be taken to the Reeling in screen.

Reeling

Begin to reel in your lure by holding down the A button. Move UP and DOWN to change the reeling-in speed. Press B to lift the lure (useful if the lure gets stuck on an underwater object).

If a fish takes the lure, the screen will change to the one now shown below.

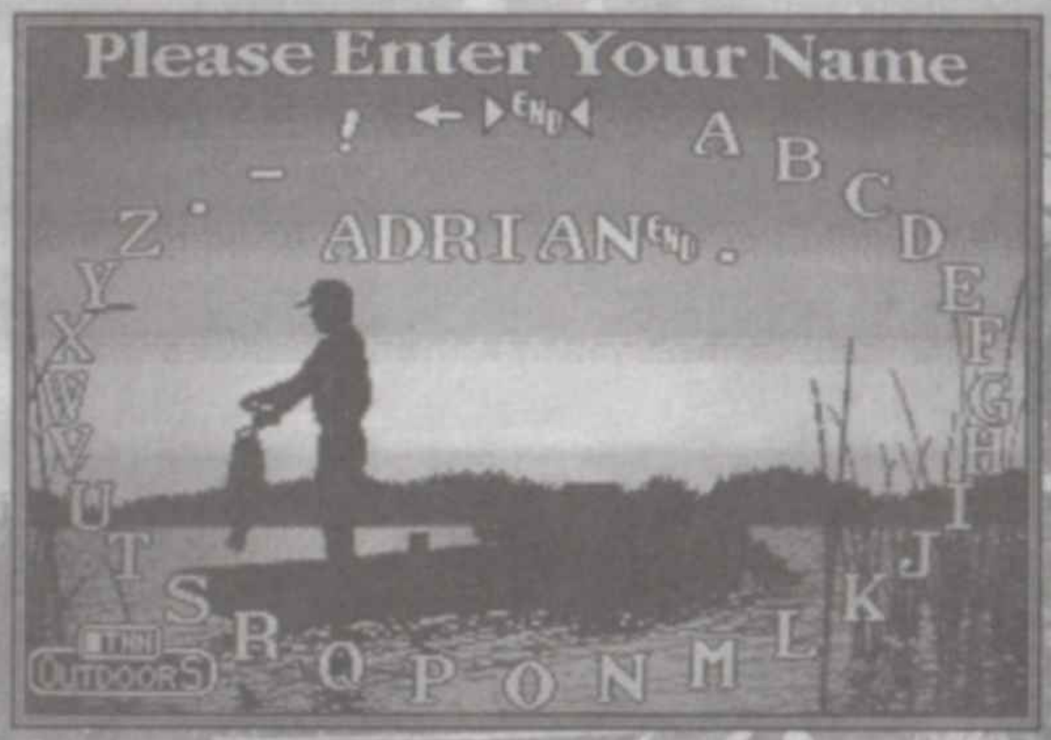
Reeling

You need to get a good strike or the fish will spit out the lure. Press A as soon as the strike bar starts to move from left to right. To reel in the fish, press A. Keep your eye on the tension so the line won't snap. You may need to let the fish run a little and get tired before reeling it back in. To "Thumb" the line, press the B button. Adjust the reel drag by pressing UP and DOWN.

When you land a fish, the screen will show your fish type and weight.

Tournament

When you enter this mode, the Name Entry screen will appear. To begin the Tournament, you must input a name 1 to 7 letters long. If you want to enter the TNN Tournament, you must input your first initial, followed by the first 6 letters of your last name. Fill in the last blank space with the "end" symbol.



Move LEFT and RIGHT to rotate the letters. When your letter choice is between the arrows, press A to select it. To exit this screen, select the "end" symbol.

Tournament

There are three tournaments. Once you qualify in the Junior Tournament and the Senior Tournament, you can enter the TNN Outdoors Bass Tournament. You will need a password in order to play in the final TNN Bass Tournament. The password will be given out on April 27, 1996 at 12 noon on TNN Outdoors Television.

Note: After entering your password, remember to fill in the last blank space with the "end" symbol.

In the Tournament modes only, you have a beginning balance of $250.00, which you can use to upgrade or add to your basic equipment. Spend it wisely.

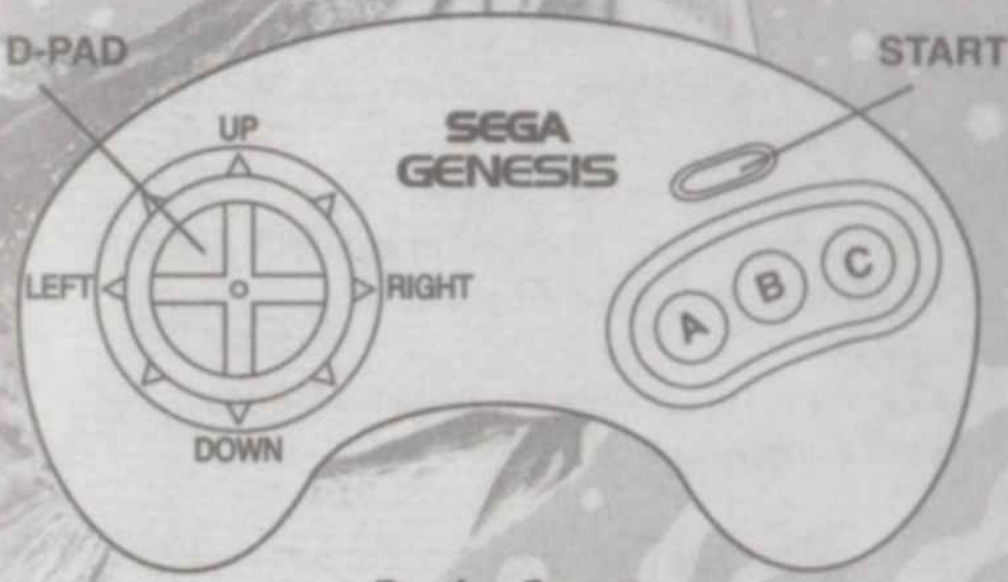
You have until 17:00 hours (5:00 pm) to catch your fish. If you are still out on the lake after this time, you will be disqualified.

Save Game -Tournament Mode

After you buy gear in the Pro Shop or you place and move up in a Tournament level, save your game by going to the Options screen and selecting "save". If you don't save your game, all progress will be lost when you turn off the game and you will return to the last place saved in the game.

You can save your game before or after a Tournament round. In the Save Game screen, select the slot you will save your game in by pressing UP or DOWN. Press A to save your game, B to continue or C to quit the Tournament. Be sure to save your game before you shut off the system.

Controller



Boating Screen
D-Pad: Steer and move boat
A: Livewell screen
B: Pro Tip screen
C: Casting screen
START: Pause and start game action

Casting Screen:
D-Pad: UP-More power LEFT/RIGHT-Cast direction
A: Cast lure
B: Tackle Box
C: Return to Boating screen

Reeling Screen:
D-Pad: Reel speed/drag - DOWN-Decrease / UP-Increase
A: Reel in/set strike
B: Lift lure
START: Pause and start game action

Tips

From Fish Fishburne

1. *Get to know each lake thoroughly.*

2. *Different lures work better for different fish.*

3. *Keep an eye on the line tension - too much and you'll lose your lure.*

4. *Leave enough time to return to the dock at the end of day. Better early than disqualified.*

5. *Fish are more attracted to lures which are being pulled away from them.*

6. *Fish will surface towards a lure, but will not dive for one.*

7. *Let a fish run with the bait. This will tire him out and the line won't break as easily.*

8. *OK, you've caught your quota of fish in the Tournament and you still have time. KEEP TRYING- - you could be floating over the big one - which might make you a winner!!*

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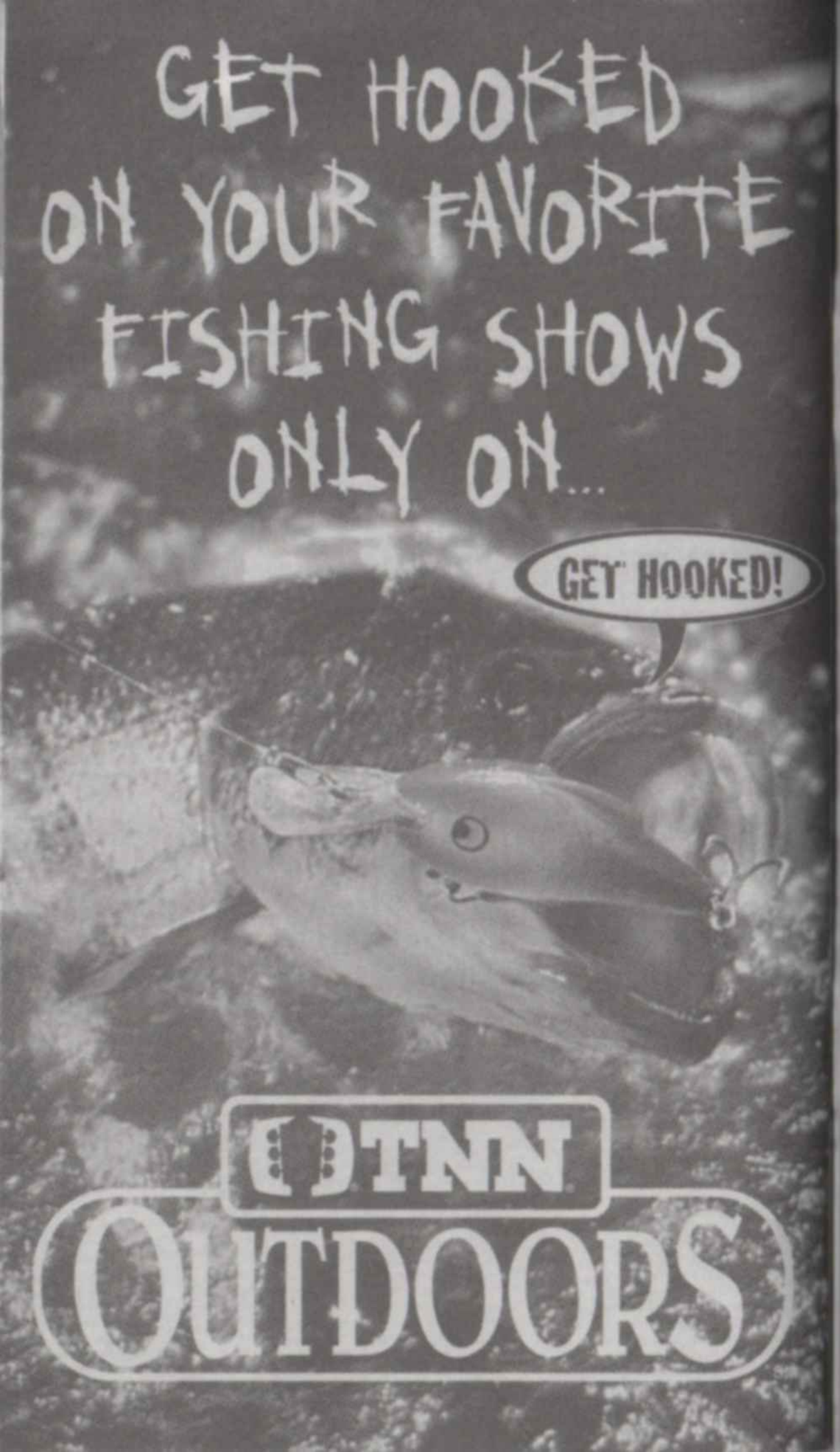

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